

Uniform RIP Bounds for Recovery of Signals with Partial Support Information by Weighted ℓ_p -Minimization

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Abstract. In this paper, we consider signal recovery in both noiseless and noisy cases via weighted ℓ_p ($0 < p \leq 1$) minimization when some partial support information on the signals is available. The uniform sufficient condition based on restricted isometry property (RIP) of order tk for any given constant $t > d$ ($d \geq 1$ is determined by the prior support information) guarantees the recovery of all k -sparse signals with partial support information. The new uniform RIP conditions extend the state-of-the-art results for weighted ℓ_p -minimization in the literature to a complete regime, which fill the gap for any given constant $t > 2d$ on the RIP parameter, and include the existing optimal conditions for the ℓ_p -minimization and the weighted ℓ_1 -minimization as special cases.

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1 Introduction

In compressed sensing, a central goal is to efficiently recover sparse signals $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ from a relatively small number of linear measurements, i.e.

$$y = Ax + e, \quad (1.1)$$

where $y \in \mathbb{R}^m$, $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ ($m \ll n$) is a sensing matrix and $e \in \mathbb{R}^m$ denotes a vector of measurement errors. It has been a research focus in applied mathematics, statistics, and machine

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learning, with abundant applications ranging from medical imaging to speech recognition and video coding. A series of fast algorithms have been developed to recover the signal \mathbf{x} from a relatively small number of linear measurements (1.1). The ℓ_p -minimization with $0 < p \leq 1$ is among the most well-known algorithms for the reconstruction of the signal \mathbf{x}

$$\begin{aligned} & \min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \|\mathbf{x}\|_p^p \\ & \text{s.t. } \mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{y} \in \mathcal{B}, \end{aligned} \tag{1.2}$$

where \mathcal{B} is a set determined by the noise structure and $\|\mathbf{x}\|_p = (\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^p)^{1/p}$. For the noiseless case, $\mathcal{B} = \{\mathbf{0}\}$.

In this paper, we consider the weighted ℓ_p -minimization ($0 < p \leq 1$) [7–9, 11–15, 17, 18, 20] to recover the signal \mathbf{x} from (1.1), when some prior information is included in the estimates of the support of \mathbf{x} or some estimates of largest coefficients of \mathbf{x} . For instance, video and audio signals exhibit strong correlation over temporal frames, which can be used to estimate a portion of the support based on previously decoded frames. The main idea inherited in the weighted ℓ_p -minimization is to make the entries of \mathbf{x} , which are expected to be large, be penalized less in the weighted objective function by introducing a weight vector $\mathbf{w} \in [0, 1]^n$. The weighted ℓ_p -minimization is formulated as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} & \min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \|\mathbf{x}\|_{p, \mathbf{w}}^p \\ & \text{s.t. } \mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{y} \in \mathcal{B}, \end{aligned} \tag{1.3}$$

where

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|_{p, \mathbf{w}} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i |x_i|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

In particular, the weighted ℓ_p -minimization (1.3) reduces to the well-known weighted ℓ_1 -minimization used for the signal recovery when $p = 1$, i.e.

$$\begin{aligned} & \min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \|\mathbf{x}\|_{1, \mathbf{w}} \\ & \text{s.t. } \mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{y} \in \mathcal{B}. \end{aligned} \tag{1.4}$$

Let $\tilde{T} \subseteq [n] = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ be a known support estimate of \mathbf{x} . The weight vector \mathbf{w} in this paper is taken by

$$w_i = \begin{cases} \omega, & i \in \tilde{T}, \\ 1, & i \in \tilde{T}^c \end{cases} \tag{1.5}$$

for some fixed $\omega \in [0, 1]$.

The signal recovery based on partially known support is introduced in [2, 15, 20]. In [2, 14, 16, 19, 20], the known support information is incorporated using weighted ℓ_1 -minimization with zero weights on the known support \tilde{T} , i.e. $\omega = 0$ in (1.5). Friedlander *et al.* [9] extended the weighted ℓ_1 -minimization to nonzero weights, i.e. $\omega \in [0, 1]$